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Starred Question.

Mr. K.Raghuchandra Balkal.

THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

@ 2554. Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that the Educational Rules insist upon instruction being given in all subjects in the vernaculars alone up to ~~III~~ Third Form in all -- Government Girls' schools in the Presidency; and

(b) whether it is a fact that contrary to those rules instruction in the Government Girls' school at Mangalore is being imparted in English only from the ~~I~~ First Form onwards? ~~and~~

~~(c) whether the said practice cannot be made conformable to the Educational Rules on the subjects?~~

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L.C.Q. No.2554.* Starred. 2323

Mr. K.Raghuchandra Ballal.

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Will the Hon'ble the Minister for Education be pleased to state:--	
(a) whether it is a fact that the Educational Rules insist upon instruction being given in all subjects in the vernaculars alone up to third form in all Government Girls' Schools in the Presidency; and	(a) Under rule 60 of the Madras Educational Rules, managers of schools should, unless they have obtained the permission of the D.E.O. to do otherwise, adopt the vernacular of the pupils as the medium of instruction up to and including the third form. Under rule 62 the Director may relax the above rule in the case of Secondary schools for girls.
(b) whether it is a fact that contrary to those rules instruction in the Government Girls' school at Mangalore is being imparted in English only from the first form onwards?	(b) In the Government Girls' School, Mangalore, English is used as the medium of instruction as the majority of the pupils in the school speak either Konkani or Tulu, which are not written languages, in their homes and therefore find it difficult to study Kanarese.

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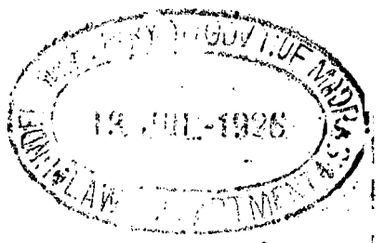
clause (b) of question If the information requested in this clause is not readily available in the Directors' office the answer may be kept the information will be called for! The file may be sent to the D.P.I's.



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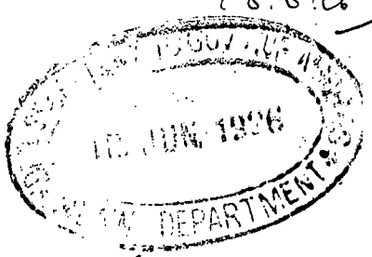

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U.O.Reply No. 7114 dated 9.10.7.26.

Even before putting this question in the Legislative Council the Member desired the D.P.I to enquire as to why vernacular should not be made the medium of instruction in forms I to III of the Government Girls' School, Mangalore. The question was referred to the Inspectress and it is reported that the majority of the pupils in each section speak either Konkani or Tulu which are not written languages, in their homes and therefore find it difficult to study Kanarese. Out of 113 on the rolls from class V to form III only 6 are Kanarese speaking pupils. It is also stated that most of the teachers in charge of the model school classes do not know enough Kanarese to teach the various subjects in that language. I am unable to find any specific order granting exemption from the operation of the M.E.R. but I am aware that the use of English as the medium of instruction in South Kanara has been the practice in a number of schools for many years past.

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2323 Q.—Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Educational Rules insist upon instruction being given in all subjects in the vernaculars alone up to Third Form in all Government girls' schools in the Presidency ; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that contrary to those rules instruction in the Government Girls' School at Mangalore is being imparted in English only from the First Form onwards?

A.—(*a*) Under rule 60 of the Madras Educational Rules, managers of schools should, unless they have obtained the permission of the District Educational Officer to do otherwise, adopt the vernacular of the pupils as the medium of instruction up to and including the Third Form. Under rule 62, the Director may relax the above rule in the case of Secondary schools for girls.

(*b*) In the Government Girls' School, Mangalore, English is used as the medium of instruction as the majority of the pupils in the school speak either Konkani or Tulu, which are not written languages, in their homes and therefore find it difficult to study Kanarese.

Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL :—"May I know if there are any classes below the First Form in Government girls' schools?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"I want notice."

It is stated

Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL :—"Sir, in answer to clause (*b*), outside that majority of pupils in the classes who are speaking Konkani or Tulu, may I know if the pupils are taught in the same language or in any different language?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"Konkani is different from Tulu."

Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL :—"Evidently, then, there is a third language. Of all the groups, which forms the biggest group?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"My hon. Friend can get the information from the Census Report."

Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL :—"The Census Report is not likely to furnish the information with respect to a particular school."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"The Minister wants time."

Mr. K. RAGHUCHANDRA BALLAL :—"May I ask one more question as to what the vernacular of the district is?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"Kanarese."

11-15 a.m. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—"If Kanarese is the vernacular of the district, why is it that it is not taught in the Government schools?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—"The answer is given in clause (*b*)"

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The rules may be

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